



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 6188
Joh-E IKEDA et al. : Docket No. 2003-0980
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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice dated December 10, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: